Besides the above 2 projects M/s Southern Energy Asia Pacific Limited, Hong Kong (earlier known as consolidated Electric Power Asia Limited), a wholly owned subsidiary of Southern Energy Inc., USA proposes to set up the 6x660 MW Hirma Thermal Power Project in Jharsuguda District Orissa under the revised mega power policy of the Government of India announced in November, 1998, through the Memorandum of Understanding route. The tariff proposal for this project is under consideration of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission.

Imported coal based mega power projects

5588. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up mega power projects in the country based on imported coal;

(b) the names of the places where these power projects are proposed to be set up;

(c) whether any of these project is proposed to be set up in Orissa; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir, some of the multi-State power projects identified as mega power projects to be developed under the revised mega power projects policy announced in November, 1998, are envisaged to use imported coal.

(b) The details are as follows:—

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Fuel	State	Capacity MW
1.	Cuddalore TPP	Blend of Imported & Indigenous Coal	Tamil Nadu	100
2.	Krishnapatnam TPP	Blend of Imported & Indigenous Coal	Andhra Pradesh	1500
3.*	Pipavav TPP	Imported Coal/LNG	Gujarat	2000

*The actual Fuel in respect of the Pipavav TPP will depend upon the offers submitted by the preferred bidder.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.